

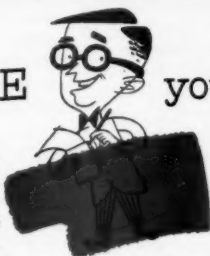
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may we QUOTE



you on that?

[1] Dr EDW TELLER, Hungarian-born mathematician, "father of the H-bomb" testifying in a Senate missiles investigation: "It is, in science, hardly possible to catch up (on missile production) in a time shorter than 10 yrs, once the Russians are pulling ahead of us as they are doing now." . . . [2] NIKITA KHRUSHCHEV, Soviet leader, in an interview with WM RANDOLPH HEARST, Jr: "We do not want to continue the arms race. We have already won over you. We have the most modern rockets. We have all the bombs. We have proved our superiority." . . . [3] Vice Pres RICHARD M NIXON, addressing Nat'l Council of Catholic Youth: "The dictators of Moscow will now sharply step up their economic, psychological and subversive activities. They will emphasize again the popular-front tactics which fooled so many well-intentioned people in times past." . . . [4] Cy-

RUS EATON, Cleveland industrialist: "There is more spirit of war in the U S than in any country in the world — and it is dangerous." . . . [5] ARCHIBALD MACLEISH, American poet: "The sputniks have made intellectuals respectable again. Suddenly, brains have become necessary once more." . . . [6] ARTHUR RUBINSTEIN, pianist: "There are two kinds of concert pianists—the methodical ones with no heart, who never hit a wrong note; and the ones like me who give it all they've got, and sometimes hit wrong ones." . . . [7] Sen JOHN F KENNEDY, of Mass, frequently mentioned as possible Democratic nominee for President in '60: "I don't think a man's religion should have bearing on his qualifications for office. I don't see why Catholics aren't as equipped to meet their constitutional obligations as anyone else."

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I am gravely disturbed by the current clatter to turn our classrooms into recruiting stations for the wholesale production of robots equipped with slide-rules. Certainly we must hearten youth of promising potential to turn their talents and their time toward scientific endeavors. But let us be mindful of the fact that in a balanced social order there is need for merchants as well as mathematicians. The typewriter is a tool as essential as the test-tube. Take heed lest we mar a promising poet in a fruitless endeavor to produce a Pasteur.

There is no danger that we shall thwart a Fermi, an Einstein or an Edison. These destined few, the geni of tomorrow, will make their way to the top. They are our primary hope for scientific supremacy.

The Russian satellite was not set in its orbit by the product of a production line. Acolytes the Soviet may have in abundance. But their memorable achievements are the seasoned spawn of a few grade-A intellects, lured from all Europe,

and given the respect and recognition they richly deserve.

"The last thing we need worry about," says Dr Nathan N Pusey, pres of Harvard Univ, "is whether we are producing enough engineers and technicians at the lower level." But we'd better be thinking pretty seriously about cherishing and even coddling the good men of science we presently have—and those on the way up. There's something radically wrong when a scientist with a decade of specialized education and 10 yrs of experience is accorded less deference than a county-seat mortician — and when he draws a lower wage than a mediocre salesman for Somebody's Soap.

Let us look—and right speedily—to the spiritual and material enrichment of the precious few on whom rests so much of our fate, our fortunes and our future. Half-starved souls and half-soled shoes are pretty poor materials from which to fashion a secure and serene tomorrow.

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Charles Haddon Spurgeon



AGE—Ageing—1

Having a purpose distinguishes those persons who grow old from those who get old. Those who get old suffer from the tragic but preventable disease of boredom. Those who grow old, don't.—Dr Edw J STRIEGLITZ, author, *The Second Forty Years* (Lippincott).

AUTOMATION—2

Complicated machines have a habit of frightening men. Inventors have been persecuted, progressive managements have been criticized, and the machines themselves have been blamed for all manner of evils. Laws have been proposed which would outlaw machines because they would throw men out of work. This is ridiculous for statistics show that the higher the degree of mechanization the higher the total labor force.—R BOWLING BARNES, pres, Barnes Engineering Co, *Automation*.

AVIATION—3

We are witnessing the birth of a new era in human progress. As was the case with dynamite, 1st used for military ends, but for a century thereafter as one of man's most constructive tools of industry, so it may be with the big rockets which represent the 1st step toward lunar and planetary voyages.—J DONALD W DOUGLAS, Chmn of Education, Douglas Aircraft Co, "A U S Missile Maker Looks at Sputnik," *Exchange*, N Y Stock Exchange.

BEHAVIOR—4

Think it's going to be a bad day for you? Then make a definite point of not letting anyone at home or at work find it out. Assign yourself the task of making someone happy, and thereby give yourself a gift, for by noon you will already have forgotten that this was going to be a bad day.—Annabelle, Zurich (*QUOTE* translation).

BIBLE—5

When John Wanamaker was 11-yrs-old he purchased a Bible. In later yrs he said of this purchase: "I have, of course, made large purchases of property in my time, involving millions of dollars, but it was as a boy in the country, at the age of 11 yrs, that I made my greatest purchase. In the little mission Sunday School I bought a small red leather Bible for \$2.75, which I paid for in small installments. Looking back over my life I see that that little red Book was the foundation on which my life has been built, and the thing which has made possible all that has counted in my life. I know now that it was the greatest investment and the most important and far reaching purchase I ever made."—*Wesleyan Methodist*.

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washington

By Les & Liz
Carpenter



Slowly but surely mbrs of Congress are facing up to the fact that Russia's missile-satellite gains will require heavy military spending next yr, and that sharply reduced appropriations for domestic programs will result.

Some leaders declare the expected '58 tax cut is already out. Things like fed'l aid to school construction, new public works projects, etc, are likely to be shelved. But almost certain of enactment is a brand-new education program—a fed'l subsidy for the college education of scientists and engineers.

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At the big Russian Embassy party celebrating the Revolution it was revealed that the world-famous Soviet ballet, a sensational sell-out in London last yr, will definitely come to the U S in '59. In '58, the Russians said, it will be at the Brussels World's Fair.

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The pro-American attitude of the Bonn gov't in Germany has prompted some German correspondents here to crack that if it gets any sweeter, it will be the "Bon Bon Gov't." . . . The Nat'l Investigations Committee on Aerial Phenomena, a flying-saucer organization headquartered here, has adopted a new cable address—"skylight."

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CAUTION—6

It's better to tighten your belt than to lose your pants.—*Seng Fellowship News*, hm, Seng Co.

CHARACTER—7

Character is not the product of action—it is more likely the source of it.—Rev OLIVER G WILSON, editor, *Wesleyan Methodist*.

CHRISTMAS—8

I do not think I'll ever be much help around a Christmas tree; a smiling tree that gaily gleams, whose friendly rafters kiss the beams. When I festoon the tree with spangles I usher in domestic wrangles.

I yearn to show where things should go, but I'm, alas, malapropos. I'm like the funny circus clown: what others hang up I knock down.

Poems are made by fools like me, but only wives can trim a tree.—ARTHUR L LIPMANN, *Kablegram*.

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The lighting of Christmas trees, and hanging up of Christmas stockings, the profuse giving, the happy family mtgs, the dinner, the game, the dance—they are all the natural signs and symbols, the flowers and fruit of Christmas. For Christmas is the day of days which declares the universal human consciousness that peace on earth comes only from good will to men.—GEO W CURTIS, *New Outlook*.

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The earthshaking movement, which transformed the Roman Empire and created Christian civilization, begins with a Mother and a Child—and God.—Dr S C CARPENTER, *Christianity* (Penguin Books).

book briefs



Field Marshall Viscount Montgomery will soon add his memoirs to the growing turret of testimony relating to War II. And in a televised interview last wk he made it clear that he'd have nothing but praise for Winston Churchill. "I think he was a tremendous nat'l leader," said Montgomery. "I am very grieved at the sniping of those who say he was a very difficult man to get along with. All great men are difficult."

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J Stevens Stock, a researcher whose job is to predict the sales of paperback books in advance of publication, relates an interesting experience in connection with one of their tests: "We asked a group of people to list their favorite books. They came up with the usual responses—Shakespeare, the Bible, and so on. Then, at the end of the interview we handed each a list of titles, offering a free book for their trouble. The most popular pick was *Murder of a Burlesque Queen*. Just goes to show the biggest trap you can fall into is believing what people tell you they want!"

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N Y Times tells of a spry, determined, elderly Bostonian who fell into conversation with John P Marquand. "I've read all of your books," he said, "but the best of the lot is *Sorrel and Son*."

"Thank you, sir," said Marquand, "but that wasn't mine. It was Warwick Deeping's."

When you reread a classic you do not see more in the book than you did before; you see more in you than there was before. — CLIFTON FADIMAN, *Any Number Can Play* (World).

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"Nonsense," said the determined Bostonian, walking briskly away.

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Book reviewers, attending a somewhat fabulous cocktail party given at the Waldorf to mark the publication of Conrad Hilton's *Be My Guest* (Prentice-Hall) expressed the wistful wish that more hotel men might be moved to take pen in hand. . . Donald J Hughes, distinguished and articulate scientist, dedicates his new book, *On Nuclear Energy* (Harvard) "To Mother: This one is for you—it contains only two equations." . . . Vance Packard, whose tome on the mysteries of motivation, *The Hidden Persuaders*, has been on the best-seller lists for half a yr, now has a rep't on the book's progress in a rural area of northern Pennsylvania. His mother wrote: "Aunt Nell has bought a copy. Most of the others are waiting for the price to come down." Vance hopes they may have to wait a good long time!

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CHRISTMAS—9

The children of missionaries sometimes remain in America for schooling. One such little boy kept a picture of his father above his desk. Visiting him one Christmas, his teacher asked: "What do you want most of all this Christmas?" The little boy, looking up at the picture, said: "I want my Dad to step out of that picture!"

At Christmas, many of us feel we want the living Christ to step out of the picture and become real for us, here and now.—"Hark! the Herald Angels Sing," *Link*, 12-'57.

DISCIPLINE—10

You take a dog and you train him right, and then leave him alone and you got a good dog. The same thing applies to boys. Spoil a dog early, and no am't of hollering will cure him. That also applies to boys. Beat him when he's bad, early, and you don't have to take a stick to him later.—*ROB'T RUARK, The Old Man and the Boy* (Holt).

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EDUCATION—11

Education will not become a leading profession unless either the proportion of men to women is drastically increased or there occurs a cultural revolution concerning the role of the women in American society. Neither of these things is impossible, but neither is now taking place.—*MYRON LIEBERMAN, Education as a Profession* (Prentice-Hall).

Quote scrap book

Ah, love, let us be true
To one another! for the world
which seems
To lie before us like a land of
dreams,
So various, so beautiful, so new,
Hath really neither joy, nor
love, nor light,
Nor certitude, nor peace, nor
help for pain;
And we are here as on a dark-
ling plain. . .

— MATTHEW ARNOLD, *Dover Beach*.

EDUCATION—12

Education is the torch that destroys the fear in the heart of man.—*JAS MALOF, New Outlook*.

FRIENDSHIP—13

Friendship is a togetherness of minds as well as of hearts; of hearts as well as of minds. Everyone yearns for friendship. But few want it badly enough to achieve as much of it as they yearn for . . . For friendship takes time. It takes time to achieve and time to maintain. — *NORMAN G SHIDLE, editor, SAE Jnl.*

GIFTS—Giving—14

Each Christmas, the fancy wrappings outdo those of the previous yuletide. And there's nothing wrong with that, as long as we don't forget that the greatest Gift of all was wrapped in simple swaddling clothes. — BURTON HILLIS, *Better Homes & Gardens*.

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How can you make this the happiest Christmas of your life? Simply by trying to give yourself to others. Put something of yourself into everything you give. A gift, however great or small, speaks its own language. And when it tells of the love of the giver, it is truly blessed. — NORMAN VINCENT PEALE, clergyman & author.

GOD—Man—15

Dr Rob't Russell Wicks tells of the time his children took a phonograph record and punched a new hole in it about an inch off center, then played it. You can imagine the caterwauling it produced. And is that not a rough analogy of what is causing the disharmonies of our world today? Our circles of responsibility are off-center. Harmony can come only as our sense of obligation is centered in God, in whom we "live and move and have our being."—RALPH W SOCKMAN, "Responsible Persons," *Arkansas Methodist*, 10-3-'57.

HEALTH—Mental—16

Mental health has become such an issue today that people go crazy in pursuit of it.—LEO McCauley, *Partners*.

JUVENILE DELINQUENCY—17

The teen-aged delinquent is not always the hardened, ruthless killer one sees portrayed in Grade C movies. He is a young person who,

Christmas Reverie

The world has grown so small today
That Bethlehem's not far away.
The hills where shepherds
watched by night
Are circled now by routine
flight. . .

The world has grown so small today
That men must lose their
pride, and pray
That love will motivate the
mind
Till peace shall come for all
mankind.

— VINEY WILDER, *Warp's Christmas Messenger*. 18

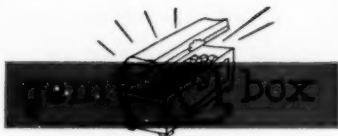
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in some way, has been cheated out of his childhood, has too early become accustomed to ugliness in the lives of those closest to him. Because he feels cheated and has nothing to cling to or steer by, he strikes out at his family and at the world.—GERALD WALKER, "An Answer to Juvenile Delinquency," *Cosmopolitan*, 11-'57.

LANGUAGE—19

To expect the educated citizens of other lands to learn English without our troubling to acquaint ourselves with some for'gn tongue is the sort of effrontery which is ruining America's reputation and influence abroad. . . Both in terms of the world we live in and of personal development, nothing is more important than the learning of language.—LYNN WHITE, Jr, *Modern Language Jnl*.

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The Four Hundred

"The Four Hundred" as a term for the inner circle of N Y society originated in 1892, from the fact that, because of space limitations, only 400 guests could be invited to a party given by Mrs Wm Astor. The invitation list was compiled by WARD McALLISTER, arbiter of N Y society, born 130 yrs ago (Dec 28, 1827.) Newspapers quoted McAllister to the effect that "there are only 400 persons in N Y society who really matter"—a statement he did not make.

Tradition has pictured McAllister as something of a snob. Actually, he was an amiable, democratic fellow. He personally introduced dozens of individuals to N Y society, counseled hundreds more. A man of moderate means, he lived simply, devoting his talents and time to upholding high standards for social behavior. In his book, *Society as I Have Found it* (published several yrs before the Astor incident) McAllister set forth his ideas on entering society:

If you are taken by the hand by a person in society, you are at once led into the charmed circle, and then your own correct perceptions . . . must do the rest. No one can keep you in society. It requires not only money, but also brains, and above all, infinite tact; possessing these three, your success is assured.

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LIFE—Living—20

When we speak of life itself, we know that we speak of a great mystery. We seem to have stepped unbidden upon holy ground.—D'ARCY W THOMPSON, *Science Digest*.

LOVE—21

The whole wonder and delight of childhood was captured by a statement that a darling little girl made one morning on my tv-radio program, *House Party*. It wasn't meant to be cute. It was simply the shy answer to my question: "Have you ever been in love?"

"No," she repl'd, "but I've been in like." — ART LINKLETTER, *Kids Say the Darndest Things!* (Prentice-Hall).

MONEY—22

Unless you have rich relatives, the only money you will have at retirement age is money you don't spend now.—*Voice of Youth*, Slovene Nat'l Benefit Soc'y.

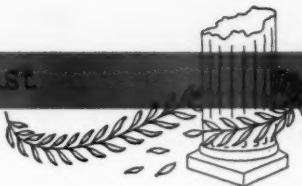
MUSIC—23

Music is vitally important in the prevention of crime because it induces moods and states of mind which are incompatible with crime. A man can find out more about himself and his power of inner thinking thru his reaction to music than all the Freuds or Junges that have ever lived could tell him. — ALBERT S WILLIAMS, "Music and Crime Prevention," *Music Jnl*.

PERSONNEL—Training—24

Between 1870 and 1950 the number of professional workers has grown three and one half times faster than the nation's population, and three times faster than the labor force generally.—JOHN W GARDNER, "The Rise of Educated Talent," *ALA Bulletin*, 11-'57.

pathways to the past



Dec 22—St Frances Xavier's Day (1st American citizen canonized) . . . 190th anniv (1767) d of John Newbery, 1st English publisher of story books for children. (In U S his memory is perpetuated by Newbery Award, given annually to author of most distinguishing book for children.) . . . 110th anniv (1847) b of Count Heihachiro Togo, Japanese admiral; creator modern Japanese navy.

Dec 23—225th anniv (1732) b of Sir Richard Arkwright, English industrialist; inventor cotton-spinning frame; organizer British labor system. . . 95th anniv (1862) b of Cornelius McGillicuddy (Connie Mack) baseball pioneer; mgr *Philadelphia Athletics* for 49 yrs (d, 1956).

Dec 24—Christmas Eve . . . 135th anniv (1822) b of Matthew Arnold, British essayist, poet, educator.

Dec 25—Christmas Day. . . 180th anniv (1777) discovery by Capt Jas Cook of an atoll in the East Indian Ocean, which he named Christmas Island. (It provided him a plentiful Christmas dinner of fish and turtles). . . 35 yrs ago (1922) Nikolai Lenin, Communist leader in Russia, made public the "Lenin Testament." Among his proposals was the replacement of Gen'l Sec'y Jos Stalin with "another man more loyal, more courteous and more considerate of the comrades." . . . 20th anniv (1937) presentation of Nat'l Broadcasting Co Symphony Orchestra under Arturo Toscanini.

Dec 26—Feast of St Stephen. . . 120th anniv (1837) b of Geo Dewey, Admiral U S Navy; hero of Manila Bay.

Dec 27 — Feast of St John the Evangelist. . . 135th anniv (1822) b of Louis Pasteur, French bacteriologist; founder of preventive medicine. . . 30th anniv (1927) opening of the musical *Showboat*, at Ziegfeld Theatre, N Y C. (Based on novel by Edna Ferber, it was produced by Jerome Kern and Oscar Hammerstein II).

Dec 28—Childermas or Holy Innocents (marks massacre of young children by Herod). . . 130th anniv (1827) b (in Savannah, Ga.) of Sam'l Ward McAllister, arbiter of N Y society; creator of list of 400 socially elite (see GEM BOX). . . 125 yrs ago (1832) John C Calhoun gave up his office as Vice President—the only U S vice-president to resign the office. (Calhoun's ideas were not compatible with those of Pres Andrew Jackson. Proposed for a Senate vacancy from his native S Carolina, he gladly accepted the new position.) . . . 60th anniv (1897) opening of stage romance, *Cyrano de Bergerac*, in Paris. (In recognition of its great success, author Edmond Rostand, aged 29, became the youngest person ever granted membership in the French Academy.)

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Economically the farmer has been holding his own pretty well of late. But the farm situation politically is somewhat less stable. A near-record harvest adds to the complications. Sec'y Benson, back from a world tour seeking mkt's for our surplus farm products, has expressed his intention of asking Congress to authorize disposal of an add'l \$1.5 billion of agricultural commodities abroad. (The present \$4 billion authorization expires June 30, '58.) Even if Congress accedes, the export program may be in trouble. Demand is falling off and competitors abroad protest U S "dumping." (Payment for farm products is in for'gn currency. We use the money for for'gn aid programs and for U S military and diplomatic expenses.)

There is presently no realistic program to deal with increasing agricultural production. The soil bank has flopped. Improved production techniques more than offset acreage withdrawals.

Farm leaders have many panaceas; no solidified program. There's revived pressure for Brannan Plan of direct subsidies, but the Grange favors a commodity-by-commodity program. By the '58 elections another harvest season will have come. There's no indication ensuing mo's will help Republicans.

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PHILOSOPHY—25

Billy Bray, when he heard someone telling a long story of troubles endured and sorrows suffered, exclaimed: "I've had my trials and troubles. The Lord has given me both vinegar and honey, but He has given me the vinegar with a teaspoon and the honey with a ladle."—*Rob't G LEE, " . . . For All His Benefits," Moody Monthly.*

PRAYER—26

One person praying quietly and earnestly for the world may be doing more good in it than a dozen hurried, worried, exhausted people rushing about outside. The results may not always be visible at once, but no prayer is ever wasted. — *FAITH FORSYTE, Tit-Bits, London.*

RELIGION—27

Christmas season reminds us that a demonstration of religion is often better than a definition of it.—*Caterpillar News & Views.*

RUSSIA—America—28

Nothing can be done to prevent the Russians from gaining on us in scientific and technical manpower at a ratio of 2-1. Already we have lost the battle of engineering manpower, at least in numbers. — *Dr JOHN R DUNNING, Dean of Columbia Univ, quoted by ANDREW ROCKOVER CECIL, "The Soviet Challenge for Technological Supremacy," Peabody Jnl of Education.*

SAFETY—Accidents—29

For '56 the total cost of all accidents in the U S is est'd at \$10,800,000,000. This could have clothed every man, woman and child in the nation, or provided all three shots of Salk vaccine for every person in the world.—*Listen.*

SEXES—30

A woman can describe a new suit she just bought and never miss a stroke while she feeds a yr-old and keeps two 6-yr-olds from killing each other. A man would stop in the middle and give some woman a very pained look and say, "Can't you do something?"—PEG BRACKEN, "I Am a Man Fan," *Good House-keeping*, 11-'57.

TALENT—31

We are confused as to what constitutes talent. . . If I had asked a friend, "Are you talented?" she would have repl'd, "No"—meaning she cannot sing or write or paint skillfully. But if I had asked, "Can you do anything well?" she would have a talent for music, others for leadership, for homebuilding, for business, for growing things, for motherhood, for friendship. . . And these are not unimportant skills.

Those gifted in the arts bring beauty and pleasure to the world, but so do those talented in other ways.—CHAS TEMPLETON, "Who Are the Talented?" *Presbyterian Life*, 9-21-'57.

TEACHERS—Teaching—32

A good teacher is one who can show children how to be smart—without being smart-alec. — DAN KIDNEY, *Scripps-Howard Newspapers*.

TIME—33

Jet planes fly faster than sound but we still think time flies faster than either.—*Banking*.

WAR—Peace—34

Down in the Territory, old Uncle Ab used to say that man and boy he'd noticed that swords are rattled every danged time the statesmen are.—*Minneapolis Tribune*.



Among the wares now redeemable for trading stamps are such luxury items as automobiles, mink coats and power boats. Of course the stamp requirements are a bit on the fantastic side. But an idea now being exploited is the group or communal collection of stamps. A congregation, for example, might save stamps and acquire an auto for the minister.

And shopping (with or without the inducement of trading stamps) may become something of a lark if more supermks follow one in Houston which now permits the housewife, with a large basket attached to her car, to drive thru wide lanes of merchandise while a walking attendant gathers, and places in the container, the items she orders.

Nor has the comfort and contentment of the male contingent been overlooked. In Copenhagen, a millinery establishment has equipped a cosy beerstube in the back room where men may wait while their ladies try on hats.

Current production of tranquilizer pills in U S now runs 32.3 grains per capita—enough to secure 176 hrs of artificial sleep for each citizen. And in Effingham, Ill, the other day, an economist handed out tranquilizer pills before speaking on "Spending and Taxes."

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GOOD STORIES



The latest story here (in London) is about two Soviet satellite scientists showing up at the pearly gates.

St Peter looked them over with some amazement and said he thought the Russians were atheists.

"You're welcome to come in," he said, "but this is most unusual. Tell me why you are here."

After some embarrassment, one of them stepped forward and said: "Please, sir, we lost our ball and want it back." — *Chicago Daily News For'n Service.* a

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A N Y policeman was approached by two young lady tourists from out of town, seeking directions to Rockefeller Center. An amiable Irishman, he ans'd their question and then said, "And where might ye be from?" One said, "Wisconsin" and the other "Minnesota." It took him a moment to digest this information and then he shrugged his shoulders: "Ah, well," he said, "We're all God's creatures." — JOHN W GARDNER, "The Rise of Educated Talent," *ALA Bulletin*, 11-'57. b

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"Now then," said the lady who had been looking around the pet shop, "I want to ask you something, and please tell me the truth. This parrot has never been around people who swear, has he?"

Repl'd the pet shop proprietor, "Hell, no, lady!" — *Oral Hygiene.* c

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I Laughed At This One

DAN BENNETT

A shapley young girl had just married a man of wealth who was more than twice her age.

I don't belive in these May and December marriages," declared a critical friend.

"Why not?" asked the bride.

"Well," said the friend, December is going to find in May the youth, beauty and freshness of spring, but what is May going to find in December?"

The bride's logical reply was, "Santa Claus!"

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"John, you're not even listening!" complained the woman, after a long speech to her husband.

"If you want me to listen," snapped her husband, "shut up!" — E E KENYON, *American Wkly.* d

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The priest was having a talk with Catherine. "Tell me, Catherine, is it true that your daughter has just had her 3rd child?"

"Oul, Monsieur le cure."

"Well, don't you think she ought to get married?"

"Get married? . . . But Monsieur le cure! She's much too young!" — *Pourquoi Pas?* Brussels (Quote translation). e

A Milwaukee exec was dining in Paris with several Frenchmen on a recent trip abroad and was extolling Milwaukee as a city of beauty, cleanliness and a wonderful place for families.

One of his companions noticed Cohen's match book, which came from the Milwaukee Women's Exchange.

"Mon Dieu!" exclaimed the Frenchman. "What do they do in this fine city of yours, exchange women?"

It took a while to re-establish Milwaukee as a city of happy families and contented homes. — *Milwaukee Jnl.*

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Once there were 2 adjacent vacant lots; one barren, save for weeds, and the other luxuriant in neatly-arranged rows of vegetables and flowers. Said the luxuriant one with disdain: "How come, dismal one, that you lie there thus so neglected and forlorn?"

The barren one repl'd sadly: "My master doesn't dig me at all." — *Minneapolis Tribune.*

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During maneuvers one group was told to put the ry station out of commission so it could no longer be used. They were back within an hr, stating "The ry station can no longer be used."

"Did you blow it up?"

"No," said the spokesman, pointing to a large sack. "We simply took all the tickets." — *Tarantel* (Quote translation).

The Christmas season gets longer every yr. It now starts with mother's shopping expedition the day after Thanksgiving, and the spirit of good-will doesn't end until dad gets home from the office party on Christmas Eve.—HAROLD COFFIN.

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We feel close to everyone at Christmas—especially on a bus.—ANNA HERBERT.

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The man who would give you the shirt off his back probably got it for Christmas.—MAURICE SEITTER.

" "

Christmas is for children, so their toys get all the breaks. —FRANCES RODMAN.

" "

This will become known as the holiday season in which many a guy was brought down by guided mistletoe.—Grit.

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It is said that mistletoe is bad for trees. Bad for trees, yes; but fun for two's.—Caterpillar News & Views.

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Many a parent sighs for the good old days when a stocking could hold what a child wanted for Christmas.—Indianapolis Times.

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Christmas season couplet: He who shops and turns away may find it gone another day.—Cincinnati Enquirer.

Quote

Christmas Tradition

Let the children help you make
Currant cookies, Twelfth-night
cake,

Anise drops and springerle,
Ginger men to trim the tree.

Share with them each ritual.
But teach them, too, the mir-
acle

Of the Christ who came to give
Food by which the soul may
live.

—DOROTHY ALBAUGH, *Farm Jnl.*

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The head of the civilian defense
corps looked up the parish priest.
“We’re planning on simulating a
bombing, Monsieur. How many peo-
ple could sleep in your church if
they were bombed out of their
homes?”

“I don’t know how many could
lie down and sleep, but every Sun-
day about 900 persons sleep here
sitting upright.” — *Pourquoi Pas?*
Brussels (QUOTE translation). j

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Then there’s this leader of this
posse who says to the boss thief:
“I have noose for you.” — MIKE
CONNOLLY, *Hollywood Reporter*. k

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Said the clerk to the couple re-
questing a marriage license: “I’m
sorry, but a license can be issued
only when the form is properly
filled out.”

“That’s ridiculous!” snapped the
groom-to-be. “I can marry her re-
gardless of what she looks like!”—
Auctioneer. l

Quote

A well-known artist noticed a
drawing of a fish by a pavement
artist and asked what sort of a
fish it was supposed to be.

“A shark, sir,” said the artist.

“But you’ve never seen a shark.”

“That’s true,” said the pavement
artist, “but don’t some of you
Academy fellows paint angels?”—
Tit-Bits, London. m

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The truck driver was being ques-
tioned by the judge: “And you
mean that you ran over that poor
soul with your 10-ton truck?”

“Oui, Monsieur le Juge.”

“Well, what do you have to say
in your own defense?”

“I didn’t know it was loaded!”—
Pourquoi Pas? Brussels (QUOTE
translation). n

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According to *Catholic Digest*, a
youngster, looking in a bookstore
window, asked his mother, “What
are those things?”

“They are books, dear,” mother
replied, “that’s what the movies
we see on television are made
from.” o

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A soldier asked to be excused
from attending chapel, saying that
he was a non-believer.

“Do you mean,” asked the cap-
tain, “that you don’t believe in the
Ten Commandments?”

The soldier said he didn’t believe.
“You don’t believe in keeping the
Sabbath holy?”

“That is correct, sir.”

“Ah,” mused the captain. “Then
you’re just the man I have been
looking for. You can spend Sun-
days scrubbing the latrines!” —
Revue, Munich (QUOTE transla-
tion). p

Light armour

Richard Armour



Man of The (End Of The) Year

According to the Greeting Card Association, Santa Claus, who ranked sixth in 1956, won first place in a popularity contest for symbols being used by artists on Christmas cards this year.—News item.

Though not among the Best Dressed Ten

Or other VIP's,
Old Santa outranks holly now
And sleighs and Christmas trees.

He's even past poinsettias
And candlesticks and snowmen,
Which is, with Yuletide just ahead,
A very pleasant omen.

His face won't grace a postage stamp,

It's not for Hollywood,
But once a year, we must admit,
It *does* look pretty good.

Though after weeks of Christmas cards

With Santa bluff and merry,
I know of one who won't be sad
To welcome January.

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Two old school friends met after not having seen or heard from each other for yrs. "I am delightfully happy!" said one. "I married a man whom all my enemies think is wonderful." — *Pourquoi Pas?* Brussels (Quote translation). q

The sweet young thing was sitting in a corner at the cocktail party with an adoring new conquest. "Gosh, it's wonderful to meet a girl like you after all the dames I've met at parties," he said enthusiastically. "Here, let me get a couple of drinks and we'll just sit and talk."

"None for me, please," the girl called after him. "I never drink."

However, the boy soon reappeared with 2 drinks. "Sure you wouldn't like to try just one?" he asked.

There was a giggle. "Well, just this once." She took a small sip. "Ugh!" she grimaced. "Scotch!"—E E KENYON, *American Wkly.* r

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A young mother was recently much confused when her 5-yr-old son came home from Sunday School to report the lesson was on washing birds. The matter was cleared up, of course, when he recalled the text: "Children, oh, bathe your parrots."—LYDEL SIMS, *Memphis Commercial-Appeal.* s

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A friend of ours who knows a man who played Santa Claus in the toy dept of one of the larger stores relays to us an item Santa passed on to him. Seems that professional Santas become accustomed to all kinds of requests, but the oddest he heard this year was from a little boy who climbed up on his knee, grabbed a firm hold on his fake whiskers and asked, "Do you think you could arrange it so's I could get an employee's discount on a bicycle?"—*Montrealer.* t

Quote

DR RICHARD VAN DER RIET WOOLLEY, Britain's astronomer royal, on preparations for space travel: "I think it is a frightful waste of public money."

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FRANK LLOYD WRIGHT, architect: "The only thing wrong with architecture is the architects."

2-Q-t

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Chicago Traffic Policeman, on the burden of paper work: "I'm just a glorified stenographer in uniform! If I lost my pencil it would be more serious than if I lost my gun!"

3-Q-t

SECOND CLASS MATTER

Edited by Alice Jacobs

We have quite a grab-bag of gift ideas this wk. To begin with, if you have trouble finding "different" gifts for men, maybe you'll be intrigued by this: a really unusual desk clock. It's cylindrical, the figures revolving past a single pointer-like hand which indicates both hrs and min's. Sixty-hr clock, imported from W Germany, is brass with tortoise-shell-like composition trim. It's 2½ in's high, 4½ in's wide. \$8.95 from *Hamburgers, Baltimore 1, Md.*

For women, a pr of gloves—with a difference. "Piggy bank" gloves have a tiny change purse blt into

back of glove, at the wrist. Very handy for parking meter coins, mad money, bus fare, or what-have-you. Gloves come in deerskin or pigskin, sizes 6 to 8. \$4.95 from *Samclair Glove Co, 108 Homestead Ave, Albany, N Y.*

Civil War buffs should like hand colored reproductions of Confederate generals in full uniform. You can have your choice of Lee, Jackson, Stuart or Pickett on white, tan, grey, blue or green background. \$4.95 each, all 4 for \$14.50 from *Raleigh Fabrics, Inc, Box 468, Port Chester, N Y.*

